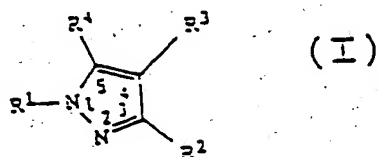
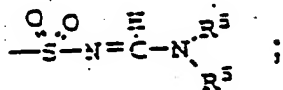


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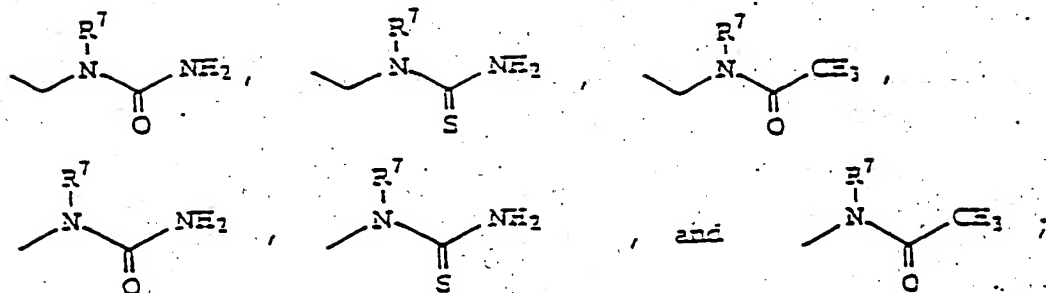
1. A compound of Formula I



wherein R¹ is phenyl substituted at a substitutable position with one or more radicals selected from halo, C₁-C₁₀-alkyl, sulfamyl and

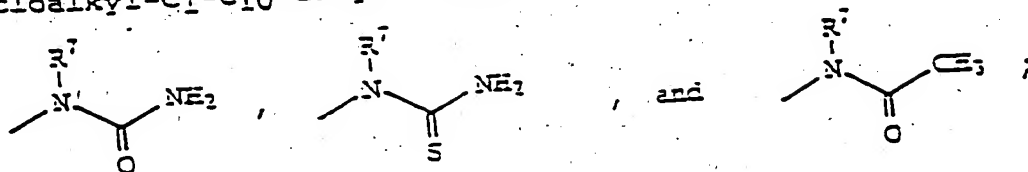


wherein R² is selected from hydrido, C₁-C₁₀-alkyl, C₁-C₆-haloalkyl, cyano, carboxyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxycarbonyl, C₁-C₆-carboxyalkyl, C₁-C₁₀-cyanoalkyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxycarbonylcyano-C₂-C₅-alkenyl, C₁-C₆-haloaralkyl, C₁-C₆-carboxyhaloalkyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxycarbonyl-C₁-C₁₀-haloalkyl, C₁-C₆-aminocarbonyl-C₁-C₁₀-haloalkyl, C₁-C₁₀-alkylaminocarbonyl-C₁-C₁₀-haloalkyl, C₁-C₆-N-alkylamino, C₁-C₆-N,N-dialkylamino, N-arylamino, C₁-C₆-N-aralkylamino, C₁-C₆-N-alkyl-N-aryl-C₁-C₆-alkylamino, C₁-C₆-N-alkyl-N-arylamino, C₁-C₆-aminoalkyl, C₁-C₆-N-alkylamino-C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₁-C₆-N,N-dialkylaminoalkyl, C₁-C₆-N-arylaminoalkyl, C₁-C₆-N-aryl-C₁-C₆-alkylaminoalkyl, C₁-C₆-N-alkyl-N-aryl-C₁-C₆-alkylaminoalkyl, C₁-C₆-N-alkyl-N-arylamino-C₁-C₆-alkyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxy, aryloxy, C₁-C₆-aralkoxy, C₁-C₆-alkylthio, arylthio, C₁-C₆-aralkylthio, aminocarbonyl, C₁-C₆-aminocarbonylalkyl, C₁-C₆-N-alkylaminocarbonyl, N-arylaminoalkyl, C₁-C₆-N,N-dialkylaminocarbonyl, C₁-C₆-N-alkyl-N-arylaminoalkyl, C₃-C₇-cycloalkylaminocarbonyl, C₁-C₆-carboxyalkylaminocarbonyl, C₁-C₆-aralkoxycarbonyl-C₁-C₆-alkylaminocarbonyl, C₁-C₆-hydroxyalkyl,



wherein R^3 is selected from hydrido, C_1 - C_{10} -alkyl, halo, cyano, C_1 - C_6 -hydroxyalkyl, C_1 - C_6 -alkoxy, C_1 - C_6 -alkylthio, C_1 - C_6 -N-alkylamino, C_1 - C_6 -N,N-dialkylamino, C_1 - C_6 -alkylsulfonyl and C_3 - C_7 -cycloalkyl;

wherein R^4 is selected from aryl- C_2 - C_6 -alkenyl, aryl, C_3 - C_7 -cycloalkyl, C_3 - C_7 -cycloalkenyl and five to ten membered heterocyclic; wherein R^4 is optionally substituted at a substitutable position with one or more radicals selected from halo, C_1 - C_6 -alkylthio, C_1 - C_6 -alkylsulfinyl, C_1 - C_{10} -alkyl, C_2 - C_6 -alkenyl, C_1 - C_6 -alkylsulfonyl, cyano, carboxyl, C_1 - C_6 -alkoxycarbonyl, aminocarbonyl, C_1 - C_6 -haloalkyl, hydroxyl, C_1 - C_6 -alkoxy, C_1 - C_6 -hydroxyalkyl, C_1 - C_6 -haloalkoxy, sulfamyl, C_1 - C_6 -alkylaminocarbonyl, amino, C_1 - C_6 -N-alkylamino, C_1 - C_6 -N,N-dialkylamino, five or six membered heterocyclic, C_3 - C_7 -cycloalkyl- C_1 - C_{10} -alkyl, nitro,



wherein R^5 is C_1 - C_{10} -alkyl; and

wherein R^7 is selected from hydrido, C_1 - C_{10} -alkyl, aryl, and aryl- C_1 - C_{10} -alkyl,

wherein aryl wherever occurring means phenyl, naphthyl, tetrahydronaphthyl, indane, biphenyl,

provided R^2 and R^3 are not identical radicals selected from hydrido, carboxyl and ethoxycarbonyl; further provided that R^2 is not carboxyl or methyl when R^3 is hydrido and when R^4 is phenyl; further provided that R^4 is not triazolyl when

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dimethylaminomethyl, N-phenylaminomethyl, N-benzylaminomethyl, N-methyl-N-benzylaminomethyl, N-methyl-N-phenylaminomethyl, methoxy, ethoxy, phenoxy, benzyloxy, methylthio, phenylthio, benzylthio, N-methylurea, N-methylthiourea, N-methylacetamidyl, urea, ureamethyl, thiourea, thioureamethyl, acetamidyl, N-phenylthioureamethyl, N-benzylthioureamethyl, N-methylthioureamethyl, N-phenylureamethyl, N-benzylureamethyl, N-methylureamethyl, N-phenylacetamidylmethyl, N-benzylacetamidylmethyl, N-methylacetamidylmethyl, aminocarbonyl, aminocarbonylmethyl, N-methylaminocarbonyl, N-ethylaminocarbonyl, N-isopropylaminocarbonyl, N-propylaminocarbonyl, N-butylaminocarbonyl, N-isobutylaminocarbonyl, N-tert-butylaminocarbonyl, N-pentylaminocarbonyl, N-phenylaminocarbonyl, N,N-dimethylaminocarbonyl, N-methyl-N-ethylaminocarbonyl, N-(3-fluorophenyl)aminocarbonyl, N-(4-methylphenyl)aminocarbonyl, N-(3-chlorophenyl)aminocarbonyl, N-methyl-N-(3-chlorophenyl)aminocarbonyl, N-(4-methoxyphenyl)aminocarbonyl, N-methyl-N-phenylaminocarbonyl, cyclopentylaminocarbonyl, cyclohexylaminocarbonyl, carboxymethylaminocarbonyl, benzyloxycarbonylmethylaminocarbonyl, hydroxypropyl, hydroxymethyl, and hydroxypropyl;

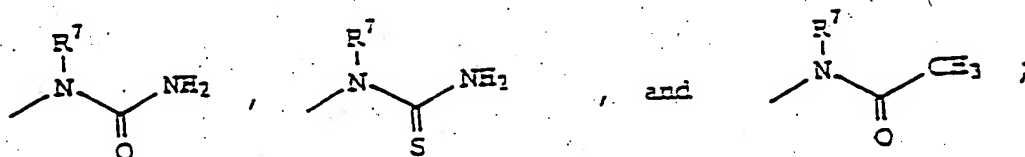
wherein R^3 is selected from hydrido, methyl, ethyl, isopropyl, tert-butyl, isobutyl, hexyl, fluoro, chloro, bromo, cyano, methoxy, methylthio, methylsulfonyl, N-methylamino, N-ethylamino, N,N-dimethylamino, N,N-diethylamino, cyclopropyl, cyclopentyl, hydroxypropyl, hydroxymethyl, and hydroxyethyl; and

wherein R^4 is selected from phenylethenyl, phenyl, naphthyl, biphenyl, cyclohexyl, cyclopentyl,

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cycloheptyl, 1-cyclohexenyl, 2-cyclohexenyl, 3-cyclohexenyl, 4-cyclohexenyl, 1-cyclopentenyl, 4-cyclopentenyl, benzofuryl, 2,3-dihydrobenzofuryl, 1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthyl, benzothieryl, indenyl, indanyl, indolyl, dihydroindolyl, chromanyl, benzopyran, thiochromanyl, benzothiopyran, benzodioxolyl, benzodioxanyl, pyridyl, thienyl, thiazolyl, oxazolyl, furyl and pyrazinyl; wherein R⁴ is optionally substituted at a substitutable position with one or more radicals selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo, methylthio, methylsulfinyl, methyl, ethyl, propyl, isopropyl, tert-butyl, isobutyl, hexyl, ethylenyl, propenyl, methylsulfonyl, cyano, carboxyl, methoxycarbonyl, ethoxycarbonyl, isopropoxycarbonyl, tert-butoxycarbonyl, propoxycarbonyl, butoxycarbonyl, isobutoxycarbonyl, pentoxycarbonyl, aminocarbonyl, fluoromethyl, difluoromethyl, trifluoromethyl, chloromethyl, dichloromethyl, trichloromethyl, pentafluoroethyl, heptafluoropropyl, bromodifluoromethyl, difluorochloromethyl, dichlorodifluoromethyl, difluoroethyl, difluoropropyl, dichloroethyl, dichloropropyl, hydroxyl, methoxy, methylenedioxy, ethoxy, propoxy, n-butoxy, sulfamyl, methylaminosulfonyl, hydroxypropyl, hydroxyisopropyl, hydroxymethyl, hydroxyethyl, trifluoromethoxy, amino, N-methylamino, N-ethylamino, N-ethyl-N-methylamino, N,N-dimethylamino, N,N-diethylamino, formylamino, methylcarbonylamino, trifluoroacetamino, piperadinyl, piperazinyl, morpholino, cyclohexylmethyl, cyclopropylmethyl, cyclopentylmethyl, nitro,



and

wherein R⁷ is selected from hydrido, methyl, ethyl, phenyl and benzyl;
or a pharmaceutically-acceptable salt thereof.

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3. Compound of Claim 2 selected from compounds, and their pharmaceutically acceptable salts, of the group consisting of

ethyl 1-[4-(aminosulfonyl)phenyl]-5-(4-chlorophenyl)-1H-pyrazole-3-carboxylate;

ethyl 1-[4-(aminosulfonyl)phenyl]-5-(4-methylphenyl)-1H-pyrazole-3-carboxylate;

isopropyl 1-[4-(aminosulfonyl)phenyl]-5-(4-chlorophenyl)-1H-pyrazole-3-carboxylate;

N-(4-methylphenyl)-1-[4-(aminosulfonyl)phenyl]-5-(4-fluorophenyl)-1H-pyrazole-3-carboxamide;

N-(3-chlorophenyl)-1-[4-(aminosulfonyl)phenyl]-5-(4-fluorophenyl)-1H-pyrazole-3-carboxamide;

N-(3-fluorophenyl)-1-[4-(aminosulfonyl)phenyl]-5-(4-fluorophenyl)-1H-pyrazole-3-carboxamide;

N-(3-fluorophenyl)-1-[4-(aminosulfonyl)phenyl]-5-(4-chlorophenyl)-1H-pyrazole-3-carboxamide;

phenylmethyl N-([1-[4-(aminosulfonyl)phenyl]-5-(4-chlorophenyl)-1H-pyrazol-3-yl]carbonyl)glycinate;

4-[5-(4-bromophenyl)-3-cyano-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;

4-[3-cyano-5-(4-fluorophenyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;

4-[5-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-cyano-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;

4-[3-cyano-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;

4-[3-cyano-5-(4-methylphenyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;

4-[3-cyano-5-(4-methylthiophenyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;

4-[5-(5-chloro-4-methoxyphenyl)-3-cyano-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;

4-[5-(5-bromo-4-methoxyphenyl)-3-cyano-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;

4-[3-cyano-5-phenyl-1H-pyrazol-1-

- 4-[4-chloro-5-(4-fluorophenyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
4-[4-chloro-5-(4-chlorophenyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
5 4-[4-bromo-5-(4-chlorophenyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
4-[4-chloro-5-phenyl-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
4-[4-chloro-5-(3,5-dichloro-4-methoxyphenyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
10 4-[4-bromo-5-(4-methylphenyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
4-[4-chloro-5-(4-methylphenyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
15 4-[4-chloro-5-(3-chloro-4-methoxyphenyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
4-[4-chloro-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
4-[4-bromo-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
20 4-[4-cyano-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
4-[4-chloro-5-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
25 4-[4-ethyl-5-phenyl-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
4-[4-methyl-5-phenyl-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
30 4-[5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-4-methyl-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
4-[5-(4-chlorophenyl)-4-methyl-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
4-[5-(4-chlorophenyl)-4-ethyl-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
35 4-[4-ethyl-5-(4-methylphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;

- 4-[4-ethyl-5-(4-methoxy-3-methylphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 5 4-[4-ethyl-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[4-ethyl-5-(3-fluoro-4-chlorophenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 10 4-[5-(4-fluorophenyl)-4-methyl-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[4-methyl-5-(4-methylphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[4-fluoro-5-phenyl-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 15 4-[4-bromo-5-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-(difluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[4-chloro-5-(3,5-dichloro-4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(difluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 20 4-[4-chloro-3-(difluoromethyl)-5-phenyl-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[4-bromo-3-(difluoromethyl)-5-phenyl-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 25 4-[4-chloro-3-(difluoromethyl)-5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[4-chloro-3-cyano-5-phenyl-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[4-chloro-5-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-cyano-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 30 4-[4-chloro-3-cyano-5-(4-fluorophenyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[4-bromo-3-cyano-5-(4-fluorophenyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[4-bromo-3-cyano-5-phenyl-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 35 ethyl [1-(4-aminosulfonylphenyl)-4-bromo-5-(4-chlorophenyl)-1H-pyrazol-3-yl]carboxylate;

- methyl [1-(4-aminosulfonylphenyl)-4-chloro-5-phenyl-1H-pyrazol-3-yl]carboxylate;
- methyl [1-(4-aminosulfonylphenyl)-4-chloro-5-(4-chlorophenyl)-1H-pyrazol-3-yl]carboxylate;
- 5 ethyl [1-(4-aminosulfonylphenyl)-4-chloro-5-(4-chlorophenyl)-1H-pyrazol-3-yl]carboxylate;
- methyl [1-(4-aminosulfonylphenyl)-4-chloro-5-(4-fluorophenyl)-1H-pyrazol-3-yl]carboxylate;
- methyl [1-(4-aminosulfonylphenyl)-4-bromo-5-(4-fluorophenyl)-1H-pyrazol-3-yl]carboxylate;
- 10 methyl [1-(4-aminosulfonylphenyl)-4-chloro-5-(3-chloro-4-methoxyphenyl)-1H-pyrazol-3-yl]carboxylate;
- methyl [1-(4-aminosulfonylphenyl)-4-chloro-5-(3,5-dichloro-4-methoxyphenyl)-1H-pyrazol-3-yl]carboxylate;
- 15 methyl [1-(4-aminosulfonylphenyl)-5-(3-bromo-4-methoxyphenyl)-4-chloro-1H-pyrazol-3-yl]carboxylate;
- 20 4-[4-chloro-3-isopropyl-5-phenyl-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[4-chloro-3-methyl-5-phenyl-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[4-chloro-3-hydroxymethyl-5-phenyl-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 25 4-[4-chloro-5-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-hydroxymethyl-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[5-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 30 4-[5-phenyl-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[5-(4-fluorophenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 35 4-[5-(4-cyanophenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[5-(2,4-difluorophenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;

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- 4-[5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[5-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 5 4-[5-(4-bromophenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[5-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 10 4-[5-(3-chlorophenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[5-(4-methylphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[5-(2-chlorophenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 15 4-[5-(2-fluorophenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[5-(4-aminophenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[5-(2-methylphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 20 4-[5-(4-fluoro-2-methylphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[5-(3-methylphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 25 4-[5-(4-ethoxyphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[5-(3,5-dimethylphenyl-4-methoxy)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 30 4-[5-(3-fluorophenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[5-(3-fluoro-4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[5-(4-methylthiophenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 35 4-[5-(4-chloro-3-methylphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;

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- 4-[5-(4-ethylphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[5-(2,4-dimethylphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 5 4-[5-(2-methoxyphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[5-(4-methoxy-3-methylphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[5-(3-bromo-4-methylthiophenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 10 4-[5-(3-chloro-4-methylphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[5-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 15 4-[5-(3-chloro-4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[5-(3-chloro-4-methoxy-5-methylphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 20 4-[5-(3-ethyl-4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[5-(4-fluoro-2-methoxyphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
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- 25 4-[5-(3,5-dichloro-4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[5-(3-chloro-4-fluorophenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 30 4-[5-(3-fluoro-4-methylthiophenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[5-(3-methyl-4-methylthiophenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 35 4-[5-(3-methyl-4-methylthiophenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;

- 4-[5-(3-chloro-4-methylthiophenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 5 4-[5-(4-(N,N-dimethylamino)phenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[5-(4-methyl-3-nitrophenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[5-(4-(N-methylamino)phenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 10 4-[5-(3-amino-4-methylphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[5-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-(difluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 15 4-[5-(4-methylthiophenyl)-3-(difluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[5-(4-methylphenyl)-3-(difluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[5-phenyl-3-(difluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 20 4-[5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(difluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[5-(3-fluoro-4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(difluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 25 4-[5-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-(difluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[5-(2-fluoro-4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(difluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[5-(3-chloro-4-methylphenyl)-3-(difluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 30 4-[5-(3-chloro-4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(difluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[5-(4-chloro-3-methylphenyl)-3-(difluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 35 4-[5-(3,4-dimethoxyphenyl)-3-(difluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;

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- 4-[5-(3,5-dichloro-4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(difluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 5 4-[5-(3,5-difluoro-4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(difluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[5-(2-methoxyphenyl)-3-(difluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 10 4-[5-(3-bromo-4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(difluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[5-(4-methylsulfonylphenyl)-3-(difluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 15 4-[5-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-(heptafluoropropyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[5-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-(chloro-difluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[5-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-(pentafluoroethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 20 4-[5-(4-fluorophenyl)-3-(3-hydroxypropyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[5-(3,5-dichloro-4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(3-hydroxypropyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 25 4-[5-(3-chloro-4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(chloromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[5-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-(cyanomethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[3-(chloro-difluoromethyl)-5-(3-fluoro-4-methoxyphenyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 30 ethyl 3-[1-(4-aminosulfonylphenyl)-5-(phenyl)-1H-pyrazol-3-yl]-2-cyano-2-propenoate;
- 4-[5-(phenyl)-3-(fluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 35 4-[5-(5-bromo-2-thienyl)-3-(difluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;

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- 4-[5-(5-chloro-2-thienyl)-3-(difluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[5-(1-cyclohexenyl)-3-(difluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 5 4-[5-(cyclohexyl)-3-(difluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[5-(1,4-benzodioxan-6-yl)-3-(difluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[3-(difluoromethyl)-5-(4-methylcyclohexyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 10 4-[5-(2-benzofuranyl)-3-(difluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[5-(1,3-benzodioxol-5-yl)-3-(difluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 15 4-[5-(2-benzofuryl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[5-(5-bromo-2-thienyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 20 4-[5-(5-chloro-2-thienyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[5-(5-indanyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[5-(5-methyl-2-thienyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 25 4-[5-(2,3-dihydrobenzofuran-2-yl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[5-(1-cyclohexenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 30 4-[5-(1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphth-5-yl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[5-(2-benzothieryl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 35 4-[5-(3,4-dihydro-2H-1-benzothiopyran-7-yl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;

4-[5-(4-methyl-1,3-benzodioxol-5-yl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide; and

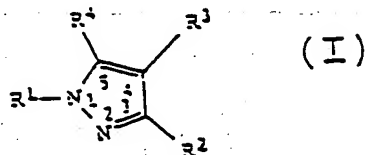
5 4-[5-(4-methyl-1,3-benzodioxol-5-yl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide.

10 4. Compound of Claim 2 where the compound is 4-[5-(4-methylphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide, or a pharmaceutically-acceptable salt thereof.

15 5. Compound of Claim 2 where the compound is 4-[5-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-(difluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide, or a pharmaceutically-acceptable salt thereof.

20 6. Compound of Claim 2 where the compound is 4-[5-(3-fluoro-4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(difluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide, or a pharmaceutically-acceptable salt thereof.

7. A compound of Formula I

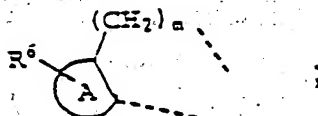


wherein R¹ is phenyl substituted at a substitutable position with sulfamyl;

wherein R² is selected from C₁-C₆-haloalkyl, cyano, carboxyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxycarbonyl, C₁-C₆-carboxyalkyl, aminocarbonyl, C₁-C₆-N-alkylaminocarbonyl, N-arylamino carbonyl, C₁-C₆-N,N-dialkylaminocarbonyl, C₁-C₆-N-alkyl-N-arylamino carbonyl, C₃-C₇-cycloalkylaminocarbonyl and C₁-C₆-hydroxyalkyl;

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wherein R³ and R⁴ together form



wherein m is 2;

wherein A is selected from phenyl and five membered heteroaryl; and

wherein R⁶ is one or more radicals selected from halo, C₁-C₁₀-alkyl, C₁-C₆-alkylsulfonyl, C₁-C₆-haloalkyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxy, amino and nitro;

wherein aryl wherever occurring means phenyl, naphthyl, tetrahydronaphthyl, indane, biphenyl;

or a pharmaceutically-acceptable salt thereof.

8. Compound of Claim 7 wherein R² is

selected from fluoromethyl, difluoromethyl, trifluoromethyl, chloromethyl, dichloromethyl, trichloromethyl, pentafluoroethyl, heptafluoropropyl, difluorochloromethyl, dichlorofluoromethyl, difluoroethyl, difluoropropyl, dichloroethyl, dichloropropyl, cyano, carboxyl, methoxycarbonyl, ethoxycarbonyl, isopropoxycarbonyl, tert-butoxycarbonyl, propoxycarbonyl, butoxycarbonyl, isobutoxycarbonyl, pentoxycarbonyl, acetyl, propionyl, butyryl, isobutyryl, valeryl, isovaleryl, pivaloyl, hexanoyl, trifluoroacetyl, aminocarbonyl, N-methylaminocarbonyl, N-ethylaminocarbonyl, N-isopropylaminocarbonyl, N-propylaminocarbonyl, N-butylaminocarbonyl, N-isobutylaminocarbonyl, N-tert-butylaminocarbonyl, N-pentylaminocarbonyl, N-phenylaminocarbonyl, N,N-dimethylaminocarbonyl, N-

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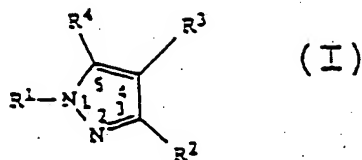
methyl-N-ethylaminocarbonyl, N-(3-fluorophenyl)aminocarbonyl, N-(4-methylphenyl)aminocarbonyl, N-(3-chlorophenyl)aminocarbonyl, N-(4-methoxyphenyl)aminocarbonyl, N-methyl-N-phenylaminocarbonyl, cyclohexylaminocarbonyl, hydroxypropyl, hydroxymethyl and hydroxyethyl; wherein A is selected from phenyl, furyl and thienyl; and wherein R⁶ is one or more radicals selected from fluoro, chloro, bromo, methylsulfonyl, methyl, ethyl, isopropyl, tert-butyl, isobutyl, fluoromethyl, difluoromethyl, trifluoromethyl, chloromethyl, dichloromethyl, trichloromethyl, pentafluoroethyl, heptafluoropropyl, difluorochloromethyl, dichlorofluoromethyl, difluoroethyl, difluoropropyl, dichloroethyl, dichloropropyl, methoxy, methylenedioxy, ethoxy, propoxy, n-butoxy, amino, and nitro; or a pharmaceutically-acceptable salt thereof.

9. Compound of Claim 8 selected from compounds, and their pharmaceutically acceptable salts, of the group consisting of

4-[3-(difluoromethyl)-4,5-dihydro-7-methoxy-1H-benz[g]indazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
 4-[3-(difluoromethyl)-4,5-dihydro-7-methyl-1H-benz[g]indazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
 4-[4,5-dihydro-7-methoxy-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-benz[g]indazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
 4-[4,5-dihydro-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-benz[g]indazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
 4-[4,5-dihydro-7-methyl-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-benz[g]indazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
 methyl[1-(4-aminosulfonylphenyl)-4,5-dihydro-7-methoxy-1H-benz[g]indazol-3-yl]carboxylate; and
 4-[4,5-dihydro-3-trifluoromethyl-1H-chieno[3,2,g]indazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide.

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10. A compound of Formula I



wherein R^1 is selected from phenyl, naphthyl, biphenyl, and five- or six-membered heteroaryl, wherein R^1 is substituted at a substitutable position with one or more radicals selected from halo, C_1 - C_{10} -alkyl, C_1 - C_6 -alkoxy, hydroxyl and C_1 - C_6 -haloalkyl; wherein R^2 is selected from C_1 - C_6 -haloalkyl; wherein R^3 is hydrido; and wherein R^4 is aryl substituted at a substitutable position with sulfamyl;

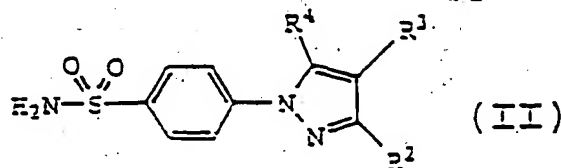
wherein aryl wherever occurring means phenyl, naphthyl, tetrahydronaphthyl, indane, biphenyl;

or a pharmaceutically-acceptable salt thereof.

11. Compound of Claim 10 selected from compounds, and their pharmaceutically acceptable salts, of the group consisting of

- 4-[1-(4-fluorophenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-5-yl]benzenesulfonamide; and
- 4-[1-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-5-yl]benzenesulfonamide.

12. A compound of Formula II



wherein R^2 is selected from hydrido, C_1 - C_{10} -alkyl, C_1 - C_6 -haloalkyl, C_1 - C_6 -alkoxy, hydroxyl, and C_1 - C_6 -haloalkoxy;

C₁-C₆-cyanoalkyl, aminocarbonyl, C₁-C₆-alkylaminocarbonyl, C₃-C₇-cycloalkylaminocarbonyl, arylaminocarbonyl, C₁-C₆-carboxyalkylaminocarbonyl, C₁-C₆-aralkoxycarbonyl-C₁-C₁₀-alkylaminocarbonyl, C₁-C₆-aminocarbonylalkyl, C₁-C₆-carboxyalkyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxycarbonylcycanoalkenyl and C₁-C₆-hydroxyalkyl;

wherein R³ is selected from hydrido, C₁-C₁₀-alkyl, cyano, C₁-C₆-hydroxyalkyl, C₃-C₇-cycloalkyl, C₁-C₆-alkylsulfonyl and halo; and

wherein R⁴ is selected from aryl-C₂-C₁₀-alkenyl, aryl, C₃-C₁₀-cycloalkyl, C₃-C₁₀-cycloalkenyl and heterocyclic;

wherein R⁴ is optionally substituted at a substitutable position with one or more radicals selected from halo, C₁-C₆-alkylthio, C₁-C₆-alkylsulfonyl, cyano, nitro, C₁-C₆-haloalkyl, C₁-C₁₀-alkyl, hydroxyl, C₂-C₆-alkenyl, C₁-C₆-hydroxyalkyl, carboxyl, C₃-C₇-cycloalkyl, C₁-C₆-alkylamino, C₁-C₁₀-di-alkylamino, C₁-C₆-alkoxycarbonyl, aminocarbonyl, C₁-C₆-alkoxy, C₁-C₆-haloalkoxy, sulfamyl, five or six membered heterocyclic and amino; wherein aryl wherever occurring means phenyl, naphthyl, tetrahydronaphthyl, indane, biphenyl;

provided R¹ and R³ are not both hydrido; further provided that R² is not carboxyl or methyl when R³ is hydrido and when R⁴ is phenyl; further provided that R⁴ is not triazolyl when R² is methyl; further provided that R⁴ is not aralkenyl when R² is carboxyl, aminocarbonyl or ethoxycarbonyl; further provided that R⁴ is not phenyl when R² is methyl and R³ is carboxyl; further provided that R⁴ is not 4-chlorophenyl when R² is methyl and R³ is bromo; further provided that R⁴ is not unsubstituted thienyl when R² is trifluoromethyl; or a pharmaceutically-acceptable salt thereof.

13. Compound of Claim 12 selected from compounds, and their pharmaceutically-acceptable salts, of the group consisting of

- 4-[5-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[5-(3,4-dichlorophenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 5 4-[5-(4-bromophenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[5-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[5-(3-chlorophenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 10 4-[5-(4-methylphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[5-(2-chlorophenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 15 4-[5-(2-fluorophenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[5-(4-aminophenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[5-(2-methylphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 20 4-[5-(4-fluoro-2-methylphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[5-(3-methylphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 25 4-[5-(4-ethoxyphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[5-(3,5-dimethylphenyl-4-methoxy)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 30 4-[5-(3-fluorophenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[5-(3-fluoro-4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 4-[5-(4-methylthiophenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;
- 35 4-[5-(4-chloro-3-methylphenyl)-3-(trifluoromethyl)-1H-pyrazol-1-yl]benzenesulfonamide;

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14. A pharmaceutical composition comprising a therapeutically-effective amount of a compound and a pharmaceutically-acceptable carrier or diluent, said compound selected from a family of compounds according to any of claims 1 to 13.

15. Use of a compound according to any of claims 1 to 13 for preparing a medicament for treating inflammation or an inflammation-associated disorder in a subject.

16. The method of Claim 15 for use in treatment of inflammation.

17. The method of Claim 15 for use in treatment of an inflammation-associated disorder.

18. The method of Claim 17 wherein the inflammation-associated disorder is arthritis.

19. The method of Claim 17 wherein the inflammation-associated disorder is pain.

20. The method of Claim 17 wherein the inflammation-associated disorder is fever.